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SUBJECT: CCMS AD HOC MEETING: OVERVIEW

1. AT THE JULY 3-4 AD HOC MEETING REPRESENTATIVES FROM
CAPITALS DISCUSSED POSSIBLE AREAS FOR NEW PILOT STUDIES.
THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO THE AGENDA (AC/274-
N/77).

I. FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR A STUDY ON HYDROLOGICAL FORECASTING
(AC/274-WP/8).

WHILE SEVERAL PARTICIPANTS EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN TO
AVOID DUPLICATING THE WORK OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES,
THE FRENCH PROPOSAL RECEIVED WIDE SUPPORT. REPRESENTATIVES
OF ITALY, BELGIUM, UK, THE NETHERLANDS, FRG, CANADA AND
THE U.S. SPOKE FAVORABLY ON THE FRENCH PROPOSAL. THE
FRENCH REP (STUYCK-TALLANDIER) ANNOUNCED THAT, IN VIEW OF
THE SUPPORT GIVEN THE PROPOSAL, FRANCE WOULD CONVENE AN
EXPERTS MEETING IN EARLY SEPTEMBER AT WHICH A MORE DETAILED
AND FORMAL PROPOSAL WOULD BE DRAFTED FOR PRESENTATION TO
THE CCMS PLENARY IN OCTOBER.

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II. U.S. TRANSPORTATION PROPOSALS ON URBAN REVITALIZATION
(AC/274-WP/10) AND RURAL PASSENGER SERVICE(AC/274-WP/11).

SINCE SEVERAL REPRESENTATIVES ALSO NOTED THAT IT MIGHT
NOT BE FEASIBLE TO MAKE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS BECAUSE
CONDITIONS VARY SO WIDELY IN ALLIED COUNTRIES, PARTICIPANTS

AGREED THAT THE STUDIES SHOULD FOCUS ON EXCHANGING OF INFORMATION AND NATIONAL EXPERIENCES. AFTER THE PROPOSALS ARE REVISED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMENTS MADE AT THE AD HOC MEETING, THEY WILL BE CIRCULATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT AS FORMAL PILOT STUDY PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE OCTOBER PLENARY.

III. U.S. PILOT STUDY PROPOSALS (AC/274-WP/12).

PARTICIPANTS GAVE HIGHEST PRIORITY TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL FOR A WASTE RECOVERY PILOT STUDY. THE U.S. WILL CONVENE AN EXPERTS MEETING IN EARLY SEPTEMBER TO PREPARE A FORMAL PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE OCTOBER PLENARY. IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EXPERTS ATTENDING THAT MEETING, IT WAS SUGGESTED THE PROPOSAL FOR WASTE DISPOSAL AND ENERGY CONSERVATION ALSO BE CONSIDERED. HOWEVER, NO FORMAL PROPOSAL ON WASTE DISPOSAL WILL NECESSARILY BE SUBMITTED AT THE FALL PLENARY. SUFFICIENT INTEREST WAS EXPRESSED IN THE PROPOSALS FOR PILOT STUDIES ON MEASUREMENT TECHNOLOGY FOR THE UPPER ATMOSPHERE AND ESTUARINE MANAGEMENT TO MERIT SCHEDULING EXPERTS MEETINGS LATER IN THE FALL. A SPECIAL COMMUNIQUE ON THE PROPOSAL FOR THE PRESERVATION OF CULTURAL ARTIFACTS WILL BE CIRCULATED BY THE U.S. AFTER FURTHER CONSULTATION IN WASHINGTON.

IV. INTERNATIONAL STAFF SUGGESTIONS (AC/274-N/78)
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PARTICIPANTS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION

EDUCATION ON ENERGY PROBLEMS (FRG)
AGRICULTURE WITHOUT ARTIFICIAL FERTILIZERS (UK)
TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS AND ITS IMPACT ON UNEMPLOYMENT (FRG)
POLICY IN THE USE OF MATERIALS (UK)
AIRSHIPS FOR MASS TRANSPORT (UK)
INSTITUTIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL MEASURES REQUIRED TO
-- INFORM BETTER THE POPULATION AND MAKE IT RESPONSIVE TO
-- LONG-TERM PROBLEMS FACING MANKIND (FRG)
USE OF PESTICIDES IN AGRICULTURE AND THEIR EFFECT ON THE
-- ECOLOGICAL BALANCE (UK, NETHERLANDS, FRANCE)
REMOTE SENSING TECHNIQUES (FRANCE, NETHERLANDS)

AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION WITH VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS DIVISION, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF WILL FLESH OUT CERTAIN OF THESE PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY CCMS.

V. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

A. ROUNDTABLE TOPIC - BASED ON THE DISCUSSION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL STAFF SUGGESTIONS, PARTICIPANTS RECOMMENDED
THAT FOR THE 1979 SPRING ROUNDTABLE, CCMS MIGHT CONSIDER
THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

(I) THE EFFECTS OF ARTIFICIAL FERTILIZERS AND PESTICIDES
ON AGRICULTURE.

(II) EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON LONG-TERM PROBLEMS .

B. FORMAT FOR FALL PLENARY.

THE PARTICIPANTS AGREED THAT THE PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE

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FOUR ENERGY FINAL REPORTS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS WOULD BE
PLACED FIRST ON THE AGENDA. IT WAS AGREED THAT NATIONAL
REPORTS WOULD BE CIRCULATED IN WRITING BEFORE THE PLENARY
BUT WOULD NOT BE EXTENSIVELY DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING
IN ORDER TO GIVE MORE TIME FOR DISCUSSION OF THE ENERGY
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